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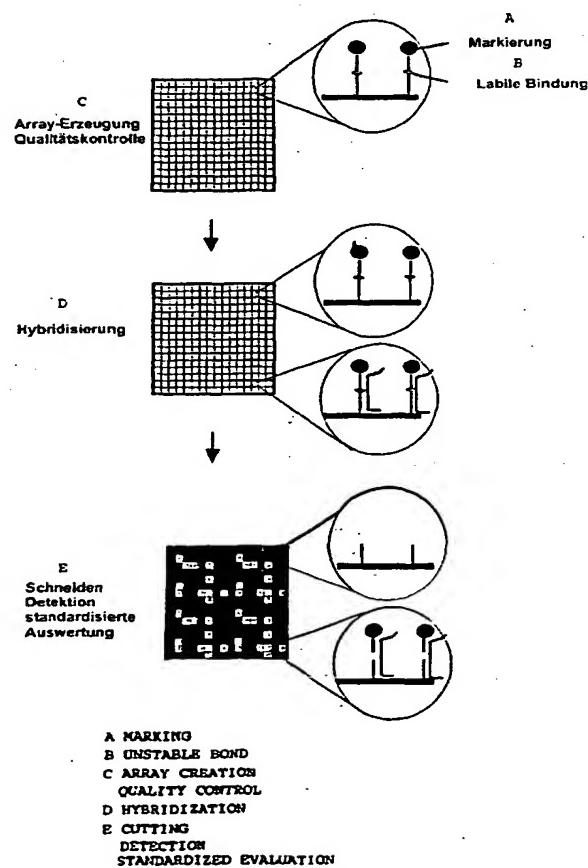
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(54) Titel: INTERACTION DETECTION ON SEVERAL PROBE ARRAYS

(54) Bezeichnung: DETEKTION VON WECHSELWIRKUNGEN AUF SONDEN-ARRAYS



(57) Abstract: The invention concerns a method for detecting interactions between probe molecules and target molecules, whereby marking target molecules is not required. The invention further concerns probe arrays and kits suited to such a method, as well as a method for production, quality control and standardization of probe arrays.

(57) Zusammenfassung: Die Erfindung betrifft ein Verfahren zum Nachweis von Wechselwirkungen zwischen Sondenmolekülen und Targetmolekülen auf Sonden-Arrays, bei dem auf die Markierung der Targetmoleküle verzichtet werden kann. Ferner betrifft die Erfindung für ein derartiges Verfahren geeignete Sonden-Arrays und Kits sowie ein Verfahren zur Herstellung, Qualitätsüberwachung und Normierung von Sonden-Arrays.

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1. Claims 1-52

probe array with labeled probe molecules that have a selectively cleavable bond between the immobilization site and the label, production methods and quality control methods for this probe array, detection methods using the probe array as well as kits comprising the probe array.

2. Claims 53-55

methods of synthesis for mercaptonucleosides activated at the 3' end and protected at the 5' end as well as the chemical substance 5'-S-(dimethoxytrityl)-mercapto-5'-deoxynucleoside-3'-O-(2-cyanoethyl,N,N'-diisopropyl-phosphite which can be produced using these methods of synthesis.

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